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ON TO THE LAND OF CANAAN

AFTER THIRTY YEARS IN THE WILDERNESS.

The Race is Progressing—It is a Fact That the Disadvantages are Many —A Moses In the Camp—Give the Black Man a Chance.

We constantly see the need to resent the insults in politics and all of its many attributes pertaining to good government of which we are deprived contrary to the laws of God. We are a progressive people. We have real estate, we have professional men, we have statesman, we contribute to the advancement of science, we have good morals, and more pride than we can foster since we are politically bound and not free. Then should we remain docile because fate seems against us? And agree with the Anglo-Saxon regardless of politics that we are too aggressive? Should we leave the work of these times for the coming generation to perform? Our benefactors in the friendly guise of the Republican party continually tell us to wait for the proclaiming angel after the character of John Brown that is to come representing all of the nations of the world. He being of the Anglo-Saxon that is foremost to brand us with inferiority and deny us of all that tends to elevate to the high plain of noble humanity simply because God made us black. Who will sound the trumphet and proclaim to all in the name of those that sent him. See the proficient sons of Ham, accept him as you accept other men. We have remained in the wilderness so-to-speak, for thirty years. Will we reach the land of Canaan in the next ten years.

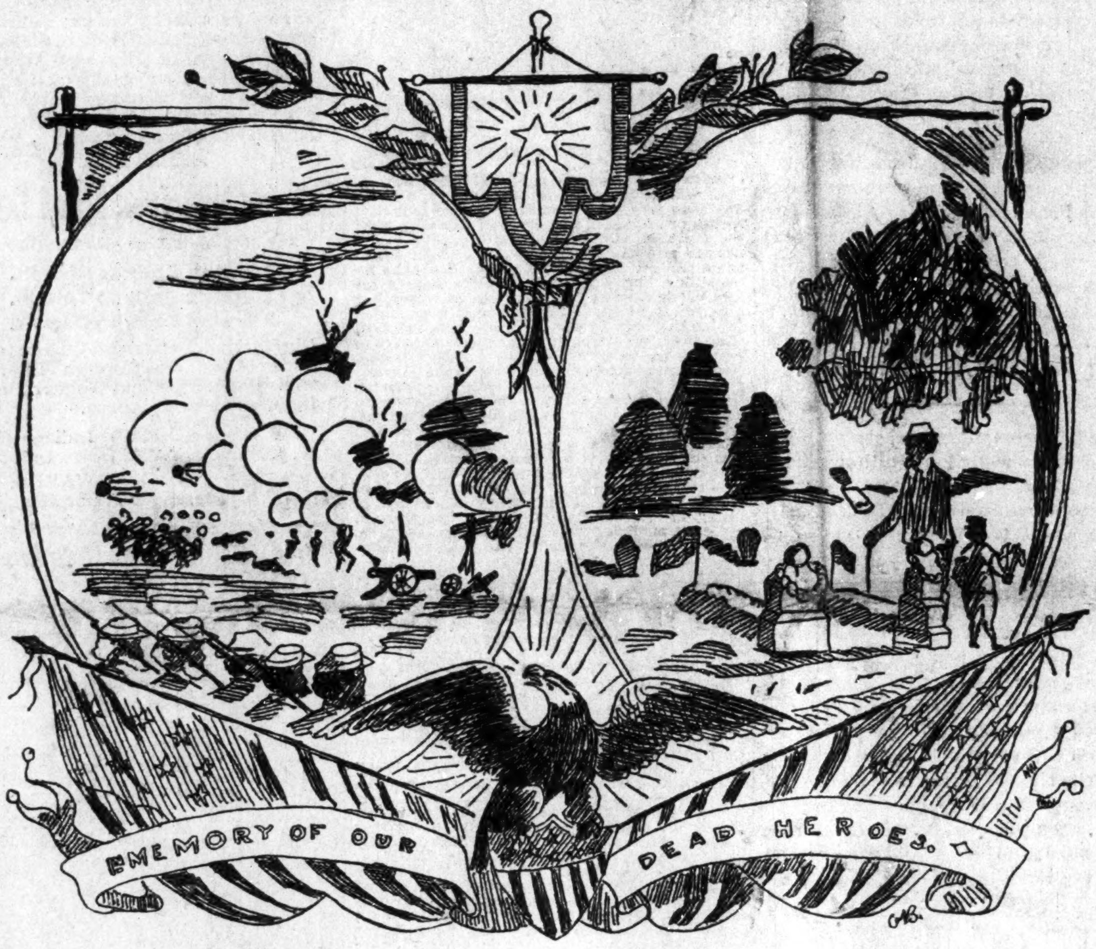
Lincoln, peace to his ashes our Moses of the 19th century, and Grant, as our Joshia enabled us to continue praise to God. The horse and rider has he been thrown into the sea. Whilst Moses, Lincoln, is yet on Mt. Sinai, the Lord spoke unto Moses saying; I have called by name Bezabeel, the son of Uuri, the son of Hur of the tribe of Juda, and have filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship, whom were to assist in the coming work of the Tabernacle of the congregation etc. Thus God spoke to Lincoln, calling us dark sons of Ham by name; decreed that we be free, and given all rights and privileges as the Anglo Saxon, to assist in the cunning work and formation of the great tabernacle of America to assist in making the law. Since he had filled us with the spirit of God and wisdom thus Lincoln declared that God created all men free and equal etc. After waiting thirty years for Moses' return from Sinai, and give evidence of the fulfillment of the decree and declaration he returns in the person of Wm. McKinley to find them on the statutes, but not enforced. Thus on the 4th of March 1897, he cries, "prepare to enforce our former declaration. which is the decree of God that equal justice be dealt all men which is the will of God." Well might the "Sprit of Missions" in one of its editorials on the Negro's need of industrial education by C. Clifton Penick read thus:

"It is most certain that any attempt to save and elevate the Negroes in this land without due regard to their industrial position and need, must prove not only a failure but a positive harm, making them victims of misplaced confidence, and shaking their faith in the church itself. Just here is it worth while to consider the line along which the Negro's faith is actually traveling. Beyond all doubt it is along the line of light that comes to him, and helps him to live here. If we have nothing we can give a man or a race that will help him to make a living here we should not be disappointed if we are not trusted to guide them into he way of living hereafter, if we can throw any light on the carpenter shop we cannot claim to be the true guides to heaven's life. So we see Negroes by the million, believing in Tuskegee and Hampton, Booker Washington and Gen. Armstrong who are very imperfect in their faith about the church. Nor is this strange or new. Did not our Lord's disciples believe in Him when they saw Him work more powerfully their own craft of fishing than they could do it themselves and boasts?

And they did not leave their nets and follow Him until they believed He understood the problem of earthly living as well as heavenly." We acknowledge the fact that we have friends among the white race, regardless of our political affiliations, and we are almost ready to say that our best friends are among those known as our common enemy, the Democrat or Rebs of the South, who contribute their means to our general support. Since we are not in a position to equally return to these, we pray the God of equity and justice to reward them for their good intent toward us. Why are we denied the right to work in factories at trades in order to make an honest living? Why is it that the trade unions withhold the welcome hand from us? They say we work for low wages, thus hurt the industry which is a mistake. Take him in, give him your support as there is in unionism, and he will stand shoulder to shoulder in any emergency to elevate the craft. One industry lives or is supported by the next that is closely allied to it, or the one aspires as the other develops or is in demand. The manufactory ceases to go when its product is no more in demand. Thus the Negro from a national sequence will cease to learn a trade when there is no demand for this trade of him.

We don't believe in a man going from the North to take work and means from the South any more than we believe in Chinese coming to America to usurp our work. We are more than proficient to supply the demand when the opportunity to exercise our function is granted. Some of our leaders advocate economy as the essential and initiating step to wealth and general acceptance. They speak well but we think the fundamental step is to open at least some of the avenues to get money, then the lessen of economy is acceptable. We expect to render good services for good pay. Can we expect this great angel to come to make these possible without a heroic effort on our part? We are tired of such task masters in politics, and we think unless we are given more consideration the exodus will come. Not because we do not love and esteem our Moses and praise our Joshua, Lincoln and Grant, but Aaron has been persuaded to depart from the first love by offering us class legislation in lieu to the equal justice we demand.

W. C. CALLOWAY,
Cincinnati, O.


IN MEMORY OF OUR DEAD HEROES.

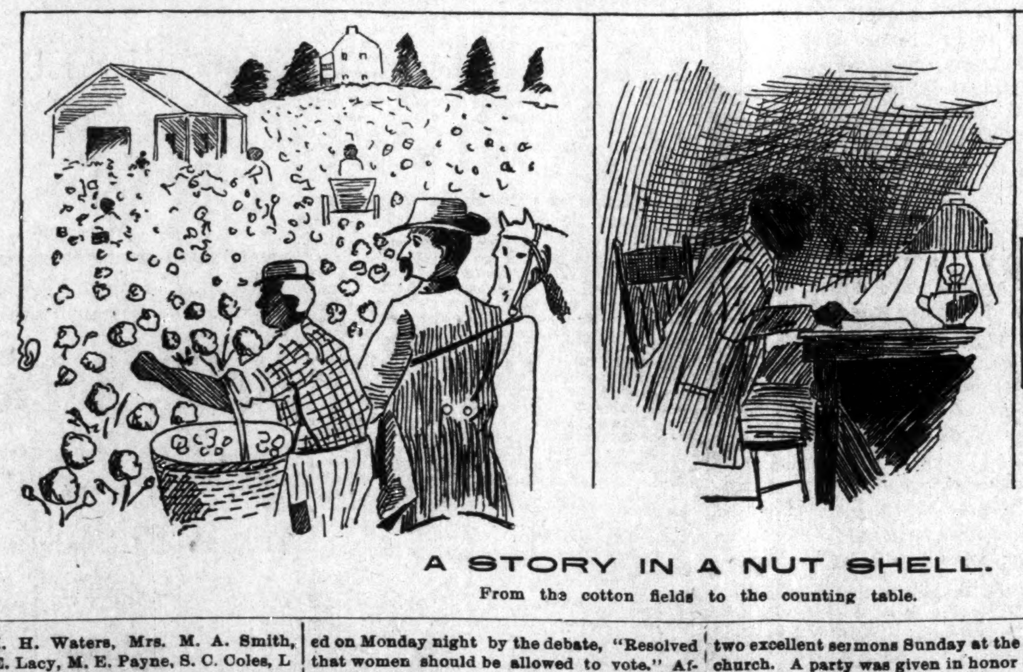
"Hundreds on hundreds fell;
But they are resting well:
Scourges and shackles strong
Never shall do them wrong.

Oh! to the living few,
Soldiers, be just and true!
Hail them as comrades tried;
Fight with them side by side"

Barbecue to be Given.

Meridian, Miss., Special.

The Educational board, of Meridian elected the following teachers for the Wechlen colored public school on the 22d: Prof. O. C. Garrett, principal; Messrs. P. W. Ivy, J. C. Wilson, O. L. Irby, H. H. Waters, Mrs. M. A. Smith, Misses M. E. Lacy, M. E. Payne, S. C. Coles, L B. Triplett and Addie Carter. There will be given at the fair grounds a grand barbecue in the interest of the Meridian Academy on June 2d. M. C. B. Mason will be present and other men of note. The Wechlen public school, under the supervision of Prof. O. C. Garrett and his corps of teachers, closed its session on Thursday, and Friday night, the 21st, a grand concert was given. It was a grand success. Mrs. Nancy Moore and son Burges Wilborn, have been quite ill for some time. Rev. D. G. Griffin, of Pilgrim Progress Baptist church, is conducting a revival in the East End. Rev. A. J. Johnson, of Jackson, Miss., is assisting. On last Sunday, the 23d inst., people from all parts of the city wended their way to the beautiful St. Paul M. E. church. The funeral of the late Pompy Cooper, who died here several months ago, was attended at the above named church. The L. S. and D. society and the Helping Hand participated in the final services of the deceased. Rev. J. C. Hibbler, the pastor, preached the funeral sermon in a most impressive manner. Misses Minnie Hardin and Minnie McAlpin, who has been attending Tougaloo University have returned home. Rev. C. L. Harris has been attending the closing exercises at Tougaloo the past week. Rev. E. B. Topp, of Jackson, Miss., preached a splendid sermon at New Hope Baptist church on Sunday evening at 8 o'clock to a large congregation. Thursday, the 20th inst., T. Murray, accompanied by Mack Williams, went to Winchester for a pleasure trip. Rev. C. L. Harris preached the baccalaureate sermon to the students of Lincoln school. The church was crowded to its utmost capacity. The five story Southern hotel caught fire on Thursday morning, the 20th, inst., about 4 o'clock, and the three top stories were destroyed.



A STORY IN A NUT SHELL.
From the cotton fields to the counting table.

Interested in The Freeman.

Yazoo City, Miss., Special.

The Epworth League was highly entertained on Monday night by the debate, "Resolved that women should be allowed to vote." Affirmative, Messrs. U. N. Nelson, M. T. Dean, Miss A. Dixon and Mrs. P. O. Jamison, negative, Messrs. Fullove, Redmon and Prof. Johnson. The judges made the ladies happy by deciding in their favor. Thursday evening May 20 Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gipson celebrated their 20th anniversary. They were the recipients of many valuable china presents. The Gibb's concert band entertainment was one of the most enjoyable affairs of the season. All were delighted with their music. Mr. W. L. Jones addressed the band. He was highly complimented on both his manner and the article gotten up. The advice he gave was well received. The 23rd anniversary of the firemen on last Friday was a success financially, having realized seventy or eighty dollars. Their welcome address was delivered by Miss L. C. Williams and was said to be very appropriate. Mr. Mose Berryman, the leader of the fair is a hustler and he knows how to make a success. Mr. Bill Ferris paid our city a visit last week. Rev. P. O. Jamison is in the city visiting his family. Maggie L. Williams, the wide awake teacher, is much interested in The Freeman, she was out soliciting subscribers. Miss L. C. Williams lectured to a crowded house in Greenwood, Miss., on Tuesday night. She is now in Jackson where she will deliver a course of lectures before returning. The Bible scene given at the A. M. E. church by Rev. S. A. Sowan, was very fine and was largely attended. The receipts were good.

News Notes—Personal Mention.

Hamilton, O., Special.

Mr. C. Watkins of Cincinnati, O., is visiting his cousin here. Mr. R. Poindexter has returned home after several weeks absence. The wedding of Miss A. Norman and Mr. J. Jackson will take place on June 1st. Mr. J. Coroll spent Sunday at West Elkton, O. Miss C. Smith has returned home from Steubenville, O. Presiding Elder Rev. J. M. Ross preached two excellent sermons Sunday at the A. M. E. church. A party was given in honor of Master Tom Williams' guest of Cincinnati Friday. The Baptist church gave a social Thursday evening. Mr. T. Smith spent Sunday at Xenia, O.

Pleasantly Entertained.

Peoria, Ill, Special.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Conway entertained for Mr. and Mrs. Henry of Chicago, at their home, No 403 North Adams street on the evening of the 21st. A program was rendered, including vocal solos and recitations. Whist and high five were indulged in, after which a fine collation was served. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Henry, Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. Barton, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hagan, Mr. and Mrs. Wagner; Mesdames Anderson, Starks, Slemmons, Gross, Morton; Miss Lyons, Galesburg; Messrs Floyd, D. J. Smith, J. C. Haynes, Ed. Washington, Samuel Walker, Ernest Hall.

Personal Nention—News Notes.

Union City, Tenn., Special.

Mrs. Ora Jones returned home to Dyersburg after a two weeks visit to the city. Prof. Overbery has returned from Nashville after several days visit. Prof. Devenport is preparing to open a new park on the West side for the benefit of the public. Prof. McMakin has the public school again. I. A. Bell is a legal agent for The Freeman, he has it on time every Saturday. The meeting held at the Christian church closed with success. The United Order of Isel had their supreme thanksgiving sermon on the 23rd inst., at the First Baptist church by Rev. B. F. Stone. Call for The Freman at H. D. Weil's shop, five cents a copy. Mrs. M. J. McDavis has returned from Obion where she has been visiting friends and relatives. Be sure and get The Freeman from I. A. Bell agent.

Shelbyville Gleanings.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

Mrs. Annie McFadden of Chattanooga is here visiting her mother. Mr. A. Thompson graduated last week from the college department of Roger Williams University, being the fifth colored person to complete a college course from this city. We welcome him into our midst and predict for him success. Dr. T. W. Haigler of Chattanooga was in town this week and as usual carried everything before him by his hypnotic exhibitions. The doctor is a marvel and richly deserves the reputation he has earned. In the rally for the new church, the A. M. E. about one hundred dollars was raised last Sunday. Willie Buchanan is becoming an expert cattle trader. Programs are out announcing the closing exercises of the Turner Normal and Theological Institute.

The Apron Social a Success.

Clarinda, Ia., Special.

Rev. Knight is on the sick list. The A. M. E, church gave a social Friday evening. The Second Baptist church had a large attendance at the apron social Wednesday evening. The Sunday school of the Second Baptist church will give a grand picnic at Gravity the 14th of June. Mrs. Mathew will leave our city soon for parts unknown. Bertha Webb has returned. Leo Mendenhall is quite sick. Zethia Cartmill has been very sick but is improving. Mr. Cason is very low at this writing. Miss Edna Jones is better. Miss Bell Cason is on the mend. Rev. J. B. Jones of Atchson, Kan., was in our midst Sunday and preached for Rev. Mendenhall.

An Honored Guest.

Augusta, Ga., Special.

Rev. White, D. D., has returned from a short trip to Washington, D. C., and Oxford, Pa. At Oxford he visited his son, Wm. J., who is a student at Lincoln University. There he was given a royal welcome by the Georgia Calvary and other friends. Augusta regrets to lose an honored citizen, Hon. Nathan Toomer, who removed to Baltimore, Md., last week. Dr. E. K. Love, of Savannah, Ga, president of the Missionary Baptist State Convention, visited our city last week. Rev. R. R. Corrall, agent of the American Baptist Publication Society for South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, passed through our city last week en route to Pittsburgh, Pa. The Union Baptist church gave a three nights fair last week at the Armory. It was quite a sncceas, and a goodly sum was raised for the benefit of that popular church. Wm. Early a member of the Loudin Jubilee Singers, is home for a rest. He will return to the company next season, and join it in a tour of England and the continent. Georgia has the following named young men students at Lincoln University, Pa.: Wm. J. White, jr., Jno. H Dwelle, Thomas Dwelle, Jas. A. Carter, J. B. Smythe. J. F. Blair, R. B. Harper, Augusta; E. S. Browning, E. J. Smith, Savannah; E. B. Terry, Columbus; G. S. Miller, Thebes; W. C. Thompson, Atlanta; J. H. Martin, Thomson. Reports of their progress are highly creditable to them and their native state. Augusta students of Spellman Seminary and Atlanta Baptist College, came home last week. The closing exercises of these two schools were very interesting.

HOWL AMONG THE ASPIRANTS

THE LOCAL CAMERA TURNED ON HONS. GREEN AND SMITH.

How They Stand Politically—Smith's Bad Break—Green in the Lead—Others Looking for Plums—Truth in a Nutshell.

Cleveland, O., Special.

The Ohio idea which prevailed to a great extent during the Hayes administration does not seem to be in force under the present administration so far as the colored brother is concerned. Up to date no prominent colored politician has received his reward from the Federal Government. Numerous candidates are said to be on the anxious seat, amongst them the name of Prof. W. S. Scarborough of Wilberforce has been mentioned for Minister to Hayti; Hon. C. L. Maxwell, of Xenia would also like to fill this important post. In the extreme southern portion of the state it is said Hon Wm. H. Parham of Cincinnati, has the endorsement of Foraker for the auditorship of the Navy Department. The Western Reserves looms up with candidates in the persons of Hon. John P. Green and Hon. H. C. Smith. Hon. Wm. Stewart of Youngstown would also like some good berth. It may be said in this connection, from information we are in possession of, that H. C. Smith may be left entirely out in the cold, and F. H. Morris a prominent white Republican here, will get the position as auditor of the Navy Department. It is said Smith ruined his chances by the part he took indirectly at the meeting of the Western Reserve Republican Club held recently for the purpose of endorsing Hanna for the U. S. Senate. It is said Smith claimed the meeting was called to strengthen John P. Green's chance for recognition. He (Smith) was not consulted by Green, Brown, Myers and others who were instrumental in bringing the meeting about, and for that ommission on their part he waxed warm, and caused his allies to storm the meeting, creating disorder and chaos by offering an amendment to the resolutions drawn up by the regularly convened meeting. In reference to this meeting the Hon. John P. Green is quoted by the Cleveland Press a leading daily here as follows: "Smith represents but few of the colored voters of the city. He has denounced all our leading men, and is to-day in disfavor with the great mass of the colored voters of the city. He has used his paper to abuse our people and it is no wonder they do not like him. I helped him to every office he ever held. It was at my recommendation that Mark Hanna first assisted him to the legislature. The colored mass meeting Friday was a public one, and every colored man in the city was invited through the papers to attend. It was not called to boost my candidacy for deputy auditor, as has been charged, but was called that we might show our love and appreciation of Mr. Hanna." It would seem from the tone of this interview that Smith is endeavoring to blast the hopes of those who have helped him.

Not long ago he stated in an interview which appeared in one of the leading daily papers here that Green was dead, politically, and that he stood a better chance of getting a position than Mr. Morris, who is to be auditor of the Navy Department; that John P. Greene's star set when his star rose. These we deem very broad assertions at this time. They may revert to his discredit for veracity ere the snow fiies. It is now a settled fact that Hon. J. P. Green will be appointed Deputy Auditor of the post office department. While it was a disappointment to his friends that he did not get first choice, Recorder of Deeds, they feel that under the circumstances, what was done was for the best interests of the party generally. As long as there are doubtful states in the South, and these states show Republican gains at times, the influence of colored Republican leaders in such states is formidable, and must be considered. If John P. Green had been a resident of some doubtful or close state, his brilliancy upon the stump and his long adherence to Republican principles would have landed him in one of the best offices ever held by a colored Republican.

JAYELTREE.

Items From Muncie.

Muncie, Ind., Special,

The A. M. E. Sunday school is making preparations for the children's day exercises. The entertainment given by the A. M. E. Club No. 3, Captain Kelly leader was a grand success, financially. The club cleared over $17. The second prize was drawn by Miss Lottie Washington, she having the corresponding number. Master Willie Washington entertained a few little friends on Saturday afternoon from 3 to 6 o'clock in honor of his sixth birthday anniversary. Light refreshments were served and all were highly entertained. Mr. and Mrs Brown of South Liberty street, will leave soon for Cleveland, their future home. Mr. Washington and Mrs. C. Talley visited at Cincinnati Sunday the 23d inst. Mrs. Ida J. Robbins entertained the A. M. E. church Aid Society on Wednesday May 19 from 2:30 o'clock to 5. All present enjoyed themselves. Rev. Gray of Shelbyville, Ind., preached at the Second Baptist church Thursday evening May 20th to quite an appreciative audience. He visited Rev. Green while in the city. Grace Poindexter is visiting in New Castle.

"Land and a Living."

Write to W. C. Rinearson, General Pass'r Agent Queen & Crescent Route, Cincinnati, for a copy of the new book "Land and a Living." Cheap farms in the South. No sunstrokes. No blizzards. Low railroad rates twice each month. Printed matter free.

B. Square's Bluster.

I have been taken to task by that "Smart Alex," the "critic," for saying, as he says in his letter, that the Southland is the best place for the race to reside. I did not say anything of the kind.

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We have the fault-finder and the fair-minded critic and the two should not be mixed up so that we cannot tell the "tuther from which." The fair-minded critic, who points out the mistakes, short-comings and imperfections of progressive humanity, is the day star of civilization and advancement, but the fault-finder or literary buzzard, who is always looking for the bad or decayed, is a menace to progression and a barrier in the pathway of the pioneer of a brighter and better future for nation, race or class. May his number grow less.

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The critic referred to above, who signs his, her or itself "Empire State," and dates the letter from Troy, N. Y., asks me to answer through the "Bluster" column two-pointed questions: "First, If there is better living in the South than North for our race; kindly tell me sir, why do so many young colored men and women yearly leave this land of milk and honey and rush North to starve (?) or at least far worse (?) than in the sunny clime?" Second: "If living in the South is your utopian dream, why, dear sir, don't you move down there?" I will answer the last question first by saying I intend to go South again to reside and also to live—mark the distinction—before many moons.

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Before I reply to the first question let me say: He that reads let him understand; let him also read correctly. Fools who cannot understand or read correctly, should not read at all, but remain as they were created—natural fools. If "Empire State" will turn to his file of The Freeman and find Feb. 13's issue of the same, he will see that I say in the "Bluster" therein published that " * * * the Southland is the only place in the United States where the ambitious, thrifty, go-ahead Negro can successfully make his mark." I did not say the race. "Empire State" is beyond a doubt a bigger idiot than he seems to be from his letter before me.

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Again, before I answer the first question, let me say, as it were, between the lines, that it is cowardly for any writer other than a literary beginner or writer of world-renown, to write over a fictitious name. If you have any thing to say for personal or public good, that you think is true or just, sign your true name. If you are too cowardly to back your opinion, you have a secret doubt in your mind about its being true or right. Literary people who are beginners and do not know how their writings are going to "take" may write behind a mask; after they have gained fame or fortune or both, they may continue to use the non-de-plume that made them famous. The critic, dear "Empire State," should sign his or her full name, and enclose a stamp for reply.

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In answering "Empire State's" first question I will say that the North is a far better section for the majority of those who leave the South, but the majority are not the thrifty, go-ahead intelligent class. To better explain, let me make two illustrations.

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John Jones was born in the most obscure obsurity of the South; like Topsey of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" fame, he never knew his parents—"jes growed up;" he was "a man for a' that," a fine, tall, strong man—a Negro beyond all reasonable doubts. A noble heart beat beneath his ignorant breast, but circumstances forced him to mix in with the lowest of the low. He worked for years in Memphis, Tenn., as a roustabout on the levee, loading packets. By intuition, daily observation and the instruction of others he had learned to his own satisfaction that he was not only a member of an inferior race, but of an inferior class of inferior people. He therefore did not try to move in the first, second or third class of Afro-American "society." He was, however, happy and contented with his lot, which was that of an able bodied human work horse. The noblier nature within him would not allow him to spend his idle time and hard earned dollars in the levee dives and dance hall as his fellow-workmen did. He saw no enjoyment in vice, so when his hard day's work was done he went to his humble room, smoked his pipe for an hour or so, and then went to bed. He saved his earnings, not because he had any premonition of better days in store when he could invest or enjoy his money, but simply because it was his nature to be saving. The money he saved did him no good, as he was kind-hearted to a degree of softness. Just so soon as he had saved fifty or sixty odd dollars some fellow 'long-the-shore-man would tell him a tale of trouble and woe, move his soft heart and "borrow" his money. Being a good and hard worker, the company that employed him transferred him and several others from Memphis to New Orleans to load and unload the steamers of their New York line. In New Orleans he got into the same society, or more properly speaking, kept out of the same company. He worked on as before with no wish or hope for a better future. He was one of the few men of the world who are content with their lot.

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A change came at last. The white 'long-shore men employed by the company in New York City struck and refused to load and unload the steamships. The business-like managers of the company drafted colored men in their employ at New Orleans, and shipped them to New York to take the place of the strikers. Our friend, John Jones, was among the number. When he reached New York he had in his posession $93 that his friends had failed to borrow. In looking about for a boarding house, he chanced to find that of Mrs. Hightoned Middleclass. Mrs. H. Middleclass was a widow who was looking for boarders who had the "dust"—in fact she was "out," or at least, "in for the dust." Jones was given a first room, finer in fact than the New Orleans room of his white boss. He was elated; the seeds of humble, honest pride took root in his breast. He paid one month's board in advance. In so doing Mrs. Middleclass saw his roll add put him down as, if not "a good thing," a good boarder.

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He soon received invitations to attend pound parties, private picnics, etc., where he met some of New York's first and second class Afro-American citizens and beautifully women. Jones was not a fool; he was diplomatic; he knew what a great many distinguished and "great" men of his race does not know, to-wit: When you know nothing get in a corner, look wise, but say nothing. When drawn into a conversation he looked wise and simply said: "I think so too," or "I don't agree with you," or "yes" or "no."

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He soon got into the heart of Greater New York's best colored "society." It is not hard to get into the same if you can dress well, have lots or seemingly lots of money, wear the mask of refinement, be wise enough to hide your ignorance of "book learning," and give with a willing hand to aid the church, Jones, as before stated, was no fool and soon "learned the ropes."

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One of the New York members of the steamship company soon got rich enough to have an "establishement" and move among the noted and only "400." He took Jones as his coachman as our hero was a good looking black man of six feet, neat, and master of the care and driving of horses About this time, a thrifty young (?) woman of uncertain age, who had, for many moons, "sot her cap" for Jones, married him, or induced him to, or entrapped him to marry her. She, however, made him a true, faithful, loving wife, and better, a companion. His employer furnished rooms for him over the stable. He "got religion," gave freely to the church, became, on account of his honesty, its head deacon and trustee, learned how to read and write, saved up a snug bank account, raised a large family of progressive children, and is to-day content and happy. He has advanced far, far beyond his expectations, and rightfully blesses the day when he left New Orleans. It is better for the race's advancement that more men and women of his class come North, but now for the other picture.

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John Smith was a natural born superior Negro. He was born just before the war, and graduated at Hampton at the head of his class in 18—. The limited instructions there received at that date made him hunger for more knowledge. He was an only child, and his father, who was an ambitious worker, left him a little of this world's goods to the amount of several hundred dollars. Smith for years taught the village school at his home, run a 'cross road store, subscribed and paid for the "National Afro-Americon Fog Horn," and studied law with no other teacher than himself.

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The "red hot" editor of the "Fog Horn," who had left Florida between two days for raising well—we'll say Cain—between the two races, was all the time pointing out in his paper the disadvantages of living in the South and the joys of residing in the North, until Smith got dissatisfied with his North Carolina home, and resolved to go North where he could be a free man and a full-fledged American citizen.

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He sold his store and property and went to Boston, taking with him several hundred dollars. He inquired for a good, respectable boarding house and was directed to Mrs. Fussclasse's pavilion where he engaged board and like Jones let his greenbacks be seen. Mrs. Fussclasses's beautiful daughter, who was a graduate of a Boston High school and was—well at least "old enough to vote" had she lived in Denver, Col., instead of Boston, at once arranged the canopy of her intellectual cranium for him, and she got him, although I am ahead of my story.

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Smith concluded to "do" Boston, New York and Philadelphia before he looked for employment as a clerk or book-keeper. He therefore visited all the parts of these cities of interest to a progressive and intellectual mind. His "green backs," "brown backs," and "cart wheels" as a matter of reason, grew some what less by the time he had seen the important parts of the three cities. He then commenced to answer advertisements where clerks and book-keepers were wanted, and strange to say the places were all "just filled.' He then placed several advertisements for like positions in the leading papers of the "Hub," only to be told to "call again" or "we will drop you a card in a day or so," after they saw his brown face. At last, after the better part of his money was gone, it dawned upon the mind of our friend that his color was the reason why he could not get a clerkship to which he was duly qualified. He was married then and obliged (as his money was almost gone) to take any kind of work, and felt glad, if not happy, when he got a position in a dry good's store as a common porter.

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To-day he reads in the "Afro-American Fog Horn" how men far below his rank and distinction at his old North Carolina home have gained or are gaining fame and fortune, and he curses the day he left the Southland. He can not return now, as his "society" wife would not go down there to live among those "murderous ex-rebels," and if she would, he could not move his large family down South. Comment is not needful.

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By special request of flattering friends there will soon appear in the columns of The Freeman another realistic novel (?) or story from my pen entitled: "'Twas not to be, or Cupid's Battle for Miscegenation." Renew your subscription now.

B. Square.

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In going over trolly or railroad tracks or riding over a block paved street, it will greatly reduce the jar if you transfer your weight to the pedals by raising yourself from the saddle. This not only saves wear on the machine, but takes away one great discomfort of riding in the city.

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Don't because you have a strong attack of the fever, and have a brand new wheel, constantly talk wheel, nor tell everybody how many miles you have registered on your cyclometer and what is the best lubricant for the chain, how to repair a puncture, and so on, ad infinitum.

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Many women blame their skirts for being too short because they blow or ride up in front, when very often it is the adjustment of the wheel. If your saddle is not high enough over the pedals the knees will work up too high and shorten the skirt considerably. Notice some women cyclers the next time you are out, and you will observe this with some of them.

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Another thing that detracts from a woman's appearance when riding is to have her neck crooked in the ungraceful fashion peculiar to her when her hat won't stay on. Be sure to pin your hat on securely; it will pay you in comfort as well as appearance.

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Whiting is very good for your handlebar and spokes, while benzine used with discretion, will keep your rims like new; only don't use either too often.

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Have a pair of broad-toed, loose shoes for cycling, unless you want to lose power and suffer discomfort in pedaling. When pressing with the ball of the foot a strain comes on the toes, too, and there should be ample room for the foot to spread.

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"Free wind" is a sign remarkably common these days, and almost every shop or school will lend you a foot pump for the asking. So, if caught out with a soft tire, it is no trouble to pump up. Don't ride a soft tire. It is apt to injure the spine by the jolting, and will in some cases split the tire.

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Sincerely, Albert Ayers,
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Exposition—The Negro Race on Dress Parade—Exposition Located Near the Scene of Battle of Thirty-three Years Ago.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

I take for my text the Nashville, Tenn., Exposition, located near the scene where thirty-three years ago was the scene of battle, contesting the question of the righteousness of slavery and the evils of secession. To-day Ft. Neigle looks down upon fair, pure, religious Nashville, with her battle scars, crumbled fortresses and barren surfaces, and asks the question "qui bono," and to-day Nashville proud goddess; "Athens" answers "pro bono publico." It may occur to many of our faithful race agitators that the South fails to admit learning her civil war lesson, and that though she had been decently whipped, she was not conquered. Sherman marched through Georgia, set fire to the very foundations of Atlanta, burned her churches and universities, pilliged her fields, and lo! like magic presto: The Atlanta Exposition, Booker T. Washington upon the stage, a mammoth Negro building, the curtain!

Grant McClelland, et. al., Nashville, under fire, ruins—carnage, bloodshed. Lo! like magic presto—The Nashville Exposition, the great Negro building, Negroes in evidence, and justice where oppression once showered mercilessly. These phœnix resurrections demonstrate the principle whose counterpart is the law of nature, and teach a lesson of Gods mysterious power. His manner of dealing with mankind, whether they like it or not. These mighty events serve as a decade of convincing argument, and fairly bring the Negro upon the scene to be judged from the highest, and truest position he is rapidly attaining, and perforce of his appearance and good behavior in the demonstration of critical truths, when brought directly under the brightest civilization, and coming out of this severe ordeal, unstained and unaffected by its brilliancy, proves in the very face of contradictory eloquences thundered upon the battle fields, and echoed in the senate halls that all theory and incoherent doctrines of Negro incapacity are the most diabolical falsehoods ever used to degrade a race.

The people of Nashville and Atlanta and New Orleans, and Waco, are converted, they are Christians at heart, and teach a truth in thus giving the Negro a learning before the bar of public opinion that Philadelphia and Chicago must at this day and time heed as lessons. 'Tis true that the South held slaves. 'Tis true that the North contended Negro freedom, but it is the South that is not ashamed of her educated Negroes, when company comes. A fair chance in the race for life. A mans opportunity is a rapidly inculcated doctrine, be it said to the Southern mans credit, that is in every weave and woof of the Southland. There colleges flourish, there the steam gin and the arithmetical urchin, make harmonious music to the honest count of the cotton fabric. The South is still the battle ground, the weapons are sober, honest endeavor, it is not a contest drawn out for the applaudits of onlookers, to cheer or witness in sober folly, it is a serious war, it is one of bread, life, virtue. pure homes, honest men and chaste women. The South is honest in its purpose, it is educating the masses; the classes make themselves—all honor to the South in its fairness in her matchless discharge of this religious duty.

Nashville! proud "City of Rocks," the home of Meharry Medical College, whence from her cultured realm has issued purely scientific and up-to-date physicians, unquestionable in religious integrity and gentlemenly behavior, whose graduates have passed the rigid examinations of every State Medical Board in America. Proud home of Central Tennessee College, Fisk University and Roger Williams University, of culture, character, and christianity. The world looks on and honors thee. The expression that Nashville is the athens of the South, has given her quite as many advesaries, as it has exponents, and yet strange as it may seem it is nevertheless true in fact and no less a commercial centre because of it.

The people are hospitable, and generous, because they are educated and refined. They are honest in their dignified appearance, and aristocratic tendencies, because they are backed by their religious consciences. The thousands of our people who travel take the many things of interest, materially advancing us in the public eye should conduct themselves prudently, because we are on dress-parade. Let the teachers, ministers, lawyers, physicians, mechanics, farmers, in fact every representative of the many phases of our social fabric address themselves to the subject at hand. No less than three hundred thousand of the race should avail themselves of this far-fetched and far-between opportunity.

We are not now so likely to be judged by the number of rails we can split in a day, nor by the number of pounds we can lift, but by that greater power, knowledge, where the black boy and the white boy, and the black girl and the white girl, the white and black with the X-ray of truth, educated and refined christianized can judge each other for their intellectual, moral and religious worth to humanity its cause and call. Let the cultured Negro array himself with all the truths of science and the power which knowledge gives, come forth upon this arena, where is pitched upon the most peaceful heights, the heights of liberty, the war for peace, and demonstrate in his manly bearing the outlines of his unimpeachable dusky brow, brightened by the lustre of university life, and whose tone is sweetness by the harmonies of all Nature's choicest gifts, the proclamation of emancipation to all the world, a free, enlightened and unprejudiced humanity. Nashville, the fair city of Negro prosperity, of Negro prominence of culture—the Homeric, the Ciceronic citadel of all the gods! the Athens where thousands of black humanity crowd in their thunder tread the halls of learning—where teachers are graduates, and where graduates are gentlemen and ladies in the truest and strictest sense; where christian colleges indoctrinate nobility of soul, self-help, and teach the ideality and possibility of pure man and womanhood—the city of beautiful women and handsome men, elegant homes, ponderous cathedrals and modern church edifices, beautiful streets, balmy air and respectable generous citizens—such is Nashville!

M. A. MAJORS, M. D.,
Decatur, Ill.

The "New Route"—Newsy Notes.

St, Louis, Mo, Special.

Last week the board of embalmers closed a two day's session at the St. James Hotel. Thirty-six applicants were examined, among them being A. Russell of the Russell & Gordon (colored) embalmers of the city, who have built up a leading business among the race, the best grade having been attained by Mr. Russell, which merits him to the best standing among the embalmers in the state thus examined. The Knight Templars of the city celebrated Ascension day at St. Paul A. M. E. church the 27th. Rev. W. C. Henderson, Ph. D., former pastor of Leonard Avenue Presbyterian church, preached the sermon. He also preached the Easter sermon at Central Baptist church. Bishop W. B. Derrick of New York, delivered his famous lecture here in St. Paul's church the 17th entitled "The New Route." It was one of the finest ever delivered in the city. Bishop Tanner, Hon. J. W. Murray, Prof. Warring, Hon. J. Milton Turner, Lawyer Jones and many other appreciative listeners were present. Henry Stewart the colored champion long distant rider of the state, is attending the Chicago bicycle races under the auspices of the Morgan & Wright Tire Co., and is mounted upon a World bicycle presented by this firm. The Missouri and Illinois divisions of white riders made a color line kick, but the New York division readily accepted him and he rides just the same. The Jeffrey Bass Dancing Academy held its closing exercises in Exposition Music Hall the 17th with a packed house. Hundreds of children were on the stage in "Puck's Utopia," a fairy play, which elicted great applause, and reflects great credit upon all the participants, and especially the old campaigner, Jas. W. Grant and Richard H. Hudlin of the Globe Democrat. Miss Florence Renicks in the latest dances, and Miss Dorsey, the little wizzard contortionist done exceedingly well.

Rhubarb tarts are tart.

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Rose colds are claiming many victims.

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The latest slang phrase is "O, I don't know; you'll never be an excuse for a legal holiday."

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De heart dizeaze wuz in our mids' yistid'y, which is jist viceverser frum w'at it wuz in las' week's games.

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Hoax—"So you saw Miss Uptodate last night. Of course, you were struck by her beauty?" Joax—"No; but I struck by her bicycle."

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It is reported that Ian Maclaren is writing a novel in the dialect use by Scotch infants between the ages of six months and two years.

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THE FIELD OF SPORT.

John R. Gentry now weighs 945 pounds.

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Typhoon II won the Kentucky derby handily.

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Jockey Slaughter, fresh from California, will ride for Barney Schrieber.

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Joe Patchen, 2.03, will be raced by his new owner, J. W. Marks, of Chicago.

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An offer of $6,000 was recently refused for the trotting mare Nancy, time, 2.20¼.

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The Cuban Giants defeated the Williams College team by 8 to 7, May 8th, at Williamstown, Mass.

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B. J. Johnson has to apply to the courts everywhere he races for an injunction to allow his jockey, Dorsey, to ride. He did it at Nashville and Louisville.

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Notwithstanding the partial suspension of "Soup" Perkins by the Newport judges, he still has the confidence of his employers and will ride for Bauer & Co. in the East.

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C. C. Smith, the "Colored Thunderbolt," and Jim Delaney, who claims to be the champion heavy-weight of the Northwest, have been matched to box twenty rounds before the Maple Athletic Club, of Elmira, N. Y., on May 31st.

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James Gordon Bennett's trotters were sold at the Paris Tattersalls the 25th ult., and representative buyers from all parts of Europe were in attendance. Austin, the fast daughter of Princeton, was in great demand. M. Oppi, of Italy, got her for $3,140. Clarence Mackey purchased Quiz for $1,400, and Mr. Benoit-Koch bought Helen Leyburn for $2,100. Grace Simmons was withdrawn at $1,300 and Lady Mary at $600.

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"Maj." Taylor, the little Indianapolis wonder, is still in the East. In Boston, Mass., May 19, Taylor was entered in the annual meet of the Bostonian Cycle Club, at the Charles River Park. The unusal sight of lightly clad racing men scurrying over the track under almost a hundred arc lights, and countless incandescents, held the spectators interested all the time. Phantom-like forms flitted down the back stretch and rushed with a hurry scurry down the home and into the back stretch again, and the effect was heightened by a liberal display of pyrotechnics, which sputtered all manner of weird hues over the whole picture. The winning of the professional mile was shrouded in some doubt. To the occupants of the press box it looked as if Gately won out, but the judges decided "Maj." Taylor—the man who beat Bald—the winner. Entries: Gately, Frank Butler, Nat Butler, "Maj." Taylor, J. E. Walsh, L. P. Callahan, C. P. Newton, F. C. Hoyt and E. A. McDuffee. The pacemakers were Walsh and Callahan. It was a race for a kingdom. For a time the men had no use for the pacers. Taylor was out for the money, but was not alone in this respect. On the back the pacers came up and got McDuffee and Nat Butler into a pocket. Hoyt forced his way up, followed by Newton, and the men entered the second lap at a rattling pace. "Maj." Taylor then poked his nose up, and Gately riding a heady race, followed him. There was no hanging back for pace, but entering the back on the last lap the men got bunched. At the three-quarters Taylor shot to the fore on the pole, with Gately on the outside and Butler and McDuffee between them. McDuffee fell and then ensued a brilliant fight for the money. Taylor held his advantage, while the other two fought for second. It looked like a "dead heat," but the judges said "Taylor, Gately and Butler." Time, 2m. 17 2-5s. Taylor and Pierce also won the mile tandem handicap; professional, time 1 m 57 3-5s.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

A "Widow's Club" Organized—Notes of General Interest—Knights of Pythias' Annual Sermon.

Chicago, Ill., Special.

Sunday May 16, was grand rally day at Bethel A. M. E. church. Bishop Arnett preached in the morning, and Rev. I. N. Rusk of Toledo, O., preached in the afternoon; $1,680.50 was raised. W. H. A. Moore was elected president and Miss Birdie Bartlett secretary of the Twentieth Century Literary society last Thursday night. A "Widow's Club" is the latest thing in club circles. About twenty-five of Chicago's most charming widows met at the residence of Mrs. Mary Britton, 2950 Dearborn street Thursday night for the purpose of organizing for pleasure and mutual protection. No widow under 20 or over 40 years old can join. Mrs. Charlotte Stewart is visiting friends and relatives in Indianapolis. Dr. A. M. Curtis, who is a candidate to succeed Surgeon-in-chief D. H. Williams of Freedman's Hospital, Washington, has private advice from Washington that his appointment will be made in a few days. Mrs. Ida Young nee Tyree, wife of George Young, died at Providence Hospital the 16th. Her funeral was held at Quinn Chapel the 19th. Miss Elizabeth Duke has returned from St. Paul where she has been visiting friends and relatives. The friends of Richard D. Marshall, the well known policeman, who has been sick for the past six months, will be pleased to learn of his recovery. There were confined in the Cook county jail four Negroes under sentence of death. Two were executed May 28th.

Olivet school was well attended, there being present 203; $2.04 was contributed for special purposes. Collection $5.24. At the morning service Rev. J. F. Thomas, the pastor selected for his theme "Paul a Light to the Gentiles." In the evening, Rev. C. D. Cooley of Richmond, Va., preached a sermon on "Governing the Tongue." Two united with the church; $3 96 was contributed. Table collection $31; total collection $100. The B. Y. P. Union was well attended. The next leader will be Thomas Johnson. All invited. Memorial services were held at Olivet church by John Brown Post, G. A. R. and Relief Corps last Sunday. At 2:30 p. m. the annual sermon of Knights of Pythias will be preached by Rev. J. F. Thomas. The Mistletoe social and literary club gave an excellent program last Wednesday evening. Miss Zada Winchester, Miss Mary Reeves, Miss J——, Thomas Oglesby, Ace Walker, John Daniels and Miss Nellie Oats. Bethel A. M. E. church took one of the largest collections at the consolidated Methodist grand rally that ever was collected in that church before.

BRYAN'S PAPER.

The Editor Again Restored to Health

Mr. George W. Hervey, editor of the Weekly Omaha World-Herald, is a perfect picture of health and looks more like the Hervey of other days. To see him now, one can hardly believe that he has been such a great sufferer. He writes of his failing health and recovery, in his characteristic way as follows:

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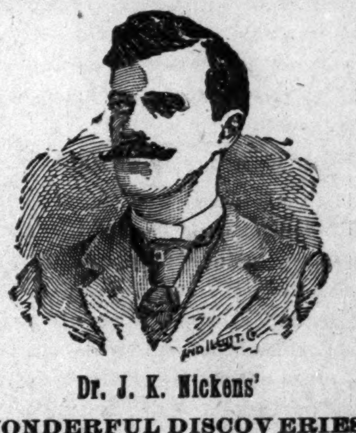

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TENNESSEE THE CYNOSURE OF ALL EYES.

All eyes are centered on Tennessee. For the first time in the history of the South a Negro is being tried by a jury, the rightfully ordained tribunal of justice, for a criminal assault on a white girl in the city of Memphis. One Harvey DeBerry, who bears a too aristocratic name to be in the meshes of the law, is the unfortunate Negro who is being tried for his life, charged with the greatest crime in the criminal lexicon. It is not to the purpose to argue the guiltiness or the guiltlessness of the individual arraigned. It is quite to the purpose to speak appreciatingly of the new birth of things in the South, when a citizen, regardless of color or previous condition of servitude, who, when defying or outraging the laws, may know the penalties without the intervention of a rump court, thereby having the penalty inflicted with impunity and to the satisfaction of the criminal and the citizens at large. It seems this state of affairs have arrived in the state of Tennessee, which state has heretofore borne an unsavory reputation in such matters. It is a long, long march from summary vengeance to compensatory justice. It is the prayer prayed for long since; answered—the silver lining behind the dark and omnious cloud that has hung so long and so low and so threatening. A trial by a jury; by one's peers is the embodiment of the virtues of a free people of an enlightened land. DeBerry's attorney, according to the Scimitar, published in Memphis, is not losing a single opportunity to win the case; and furthermore, it is said that the heroic effort being made by Attorney Cassels is winning commendations and plaudits from the community, irrespective of color. This, if true, is of the most transcendent value; for 'tis what has been striven so vainly for—a public sentiment. Public sentiment has and always will precede the effectiveness of any laws, for 'tis this that creates the necessity for the laws and 'tis this that supports them.

"Even if I lose before the Supreme Court," said Lawyer Cassels, "I am not yet at the end of my string. I have yet a couple more arrows in my sling. There is the Supreme Court of the United States, and there is the mercy of Gov. Taylor. There seems to me to be quite an opportunity for me to do something with these two, and the fate of DeBerry is by no means sealed yet."

Herein is evidenced one more vast concession to the Negroes—a concession rightfully belonging to them but wrongfully withheld—hence, just as truly a concession as though primarily not belonging; for no force further than the sense of wrong righted, wrung from conscience, has had a bearing. The white flag of peace has been flung to the breeze in the Southland at last. It should become immediately the emblem of the whole land. It is safe to say that under its protecting folds many who would have marched the march of death under some flimsy pretext or charge, may prove to the satisfaction of the courts that humanity often errs. This is the beginning of the end of that long series of misrule and mob rule that has so thoroughly innoculated the South. Whether DeBerry dies or lives, if he lives or dies by the hand of a lawfully constituted court there can be no demur. The Negroes of the country expect no more in this particular. It is to be hoped that the tidal wave of reform will not be confined to the boundaries of Tennessee; yet this state in this year of her one hundredth birthday anniversary has done a fitting thing for humanity. If the spirit of the noble demonstration now going on in Nashville has been the means of setting into action this influence against the lynching system, then great for Negro hopes is the Tennessee Centennial Exhibition. There can be some good proceeding from Nazareth. Georgia had her Atlanta, Tennessee her Nashville. A few more demonstrations of the kind mentioned and the great desideratum will be at hand—an elevation that lifts up the species and not so much the individual.

HOW SOME VIEW US.

The white race, as well as other races, like to see its manly acts applauded, and when the colored editors always paint the dark deeds—such as lynchings, murders, etc., done by the worst element of the whites and never finds occasion to compliment the christian leaders upon any occasion, it looks like the Negro both ungrateful and unworthy. There have been a few lynchings—committed by the low element of whites, and all the Negro papers are raging about it. There was also a great convention held here in a Southern city in which participated the most refined and cultured element of the white race in which Negroes were treated on terms of perfect equality—the audience never divided on account of color, and yet not a single Negro editor has applauded the act. We are not deceitful—we are fair. If the white man must be "cussed" out when he mistreats the Negro, it is of much more importance that he be given credit when he treats the Negro as men. Give honor where honor is due.—Mobile Press.

The above give signs of awakening conscience if no more. But in fact the Press errs when it says that the Negro press takes no cognizance of the good treatment accorded Negroes on any occasion. The Freeman has made it its especial duty to attempt to discover any little evidences pointing to the softening of hard lines drawn between the races. It is true we are not the whole press, but we are a representative part of it, and as such feel and have felt that it was its duty to chronicle the little tendencies in the Negro's favor when discovered. But we are sorry to say that often we have painted pictures of roseate hues of the advancing times—the millenium, so to speak, when, alas, before the next issue was ready for distribution some terrible onslaught on Negro manhood had been made which drove us again into the trenches of defense. The Negro is neither ungrateful nor unworthy. On the other hand, he hugs hope when often it is a delusion. He has a simple and an abiding faith in the promises of good held out to him. He is easily flattered, cajoled, and what's a pity, easily deceived. No, the Press has not been reading very carefully; we recommend The Freeman for its perusal.

IN MEMORY OF THE DEAD.

In the language of the illustrious Robert Ingersoll, "The past rises before me like a dream." The time has again come when the nation's dead come in for a share of consideration. Doubtless painful memories arise when the truth is again pressed home that these dead will not again be seen until the "trump" shall sound the reveille—the summons to the final assignment of quarters. Right happily for the noble pension service of the country, and happily for the assuaging influences of time, the suffering incident to, and the legacy of a great war is greatly modified. The country is again free from rancorous hate of sections. Jarring discords have long since been dissipated and the whole nation is filled and thrilled with emotion from its sense of veneration for those who died fighting their country's battles. Flowers, those all expressive embassadors of sentiment and love, are the silent messengers that always fitly bear out the sentiment for the noble dead

> "From the silence of sorrowful hours,
> The desolate mourners go
> Lovingly laden with flowers,
> Alike for the friend and foe."

The foe alike comes in for his share of regard, for as we approach the great white throne of reason, taut lines of mutual hates are considerably lessened. For they believed and fought, bled and died for that belief. The God of the world only holds us accountable as we understand. So:

> "Under the sod and the dew,
> Waiting the judgement day;
> Under the roses the blue,
> Under the lillies the gray."

Or as another writer has happily put it:

> "Tears and cheers for the blue,
> Cheers and tears for the gray."

The nation is cemented together once more, riveted and bounded by mutual sympathies and a community of interests. Sectionalism is on the wane, and racial strife is rapidly giving away before the flaring flame of right.

> "No more shall the war-cry sever,
> Or the winding rivers be red;
> They banish our anger forever
> When they laurel the graves of our dead."

THE Belton Reporter, a paper published in Texas, heads its editorial column with the following symbol:

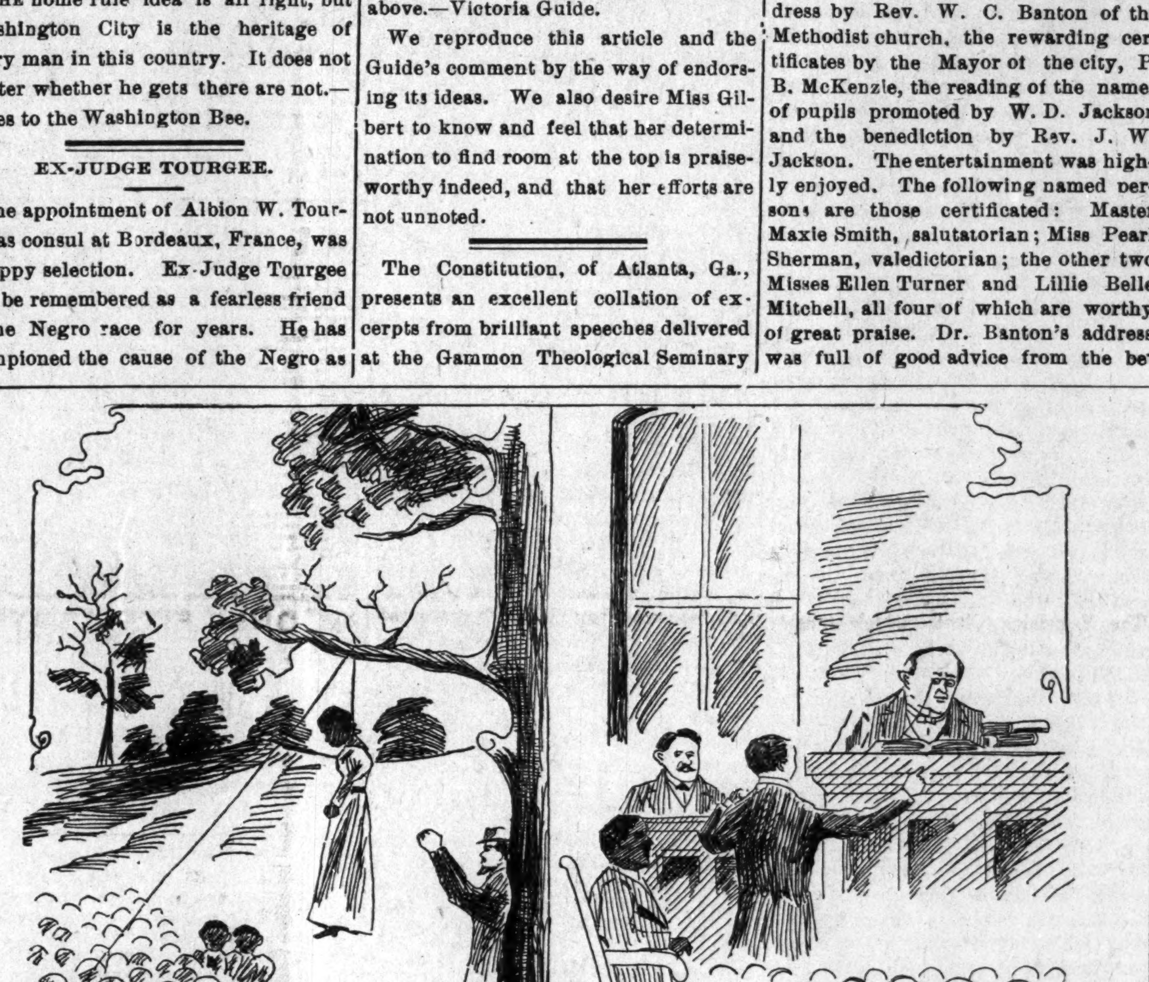
"For Bryan in 1900"

Is it predestination, fatality, divination, or some other species of the black art?

THE home rule idea is all right, but Washington City is the heritage of every man in this country. It does not matter whether he gets there are not.—Lines to the Washington Bee.

EX-JUDGE TOURGEE.

The appointment of Albion W. Tourgee as consul at Bordeaux, France, was a happy selection. Ex-Judge Tourgee will be remembered as a fearless friend of the Negro race for years. He has championed the cause of the Negro as no white man has ever done. His devotion to their interests bordered on fanaticism. He wrote several volumes in which were treated the Negro questions that were current at that period; notably among them was "The Fool's Errand." He has contributed in recent years to the papers from time to time. His "Bystanders" notes in one of the Chicago dailies were quite a feature of that publication. He had much to do shaping the Ohio Anti-lynching law which H. C. Smith chaperoned through the last legislature of that state.



While Negro girls are being lynched in Alabama for the first time in the history of the South a Negro man has a trial by jury in Memphis, Tenn., for an alleged assault on a white woman.—See editorial page.

MR. JAMES N. SIMMS graduated with the class of '97 from the Indiana Law school of the University of Indianapolis. Mr. Simms is from Louisville, Ky. He is the young man of merit with a bright future before him. He will locate in this city.

THE colored high school, of Mt. Vernon, of which Prof. Gurley Brewer is principal, will have its graduating exercises June 1st.

CIVILIZATION AND THE NEGRO.

The bulk of the late authority is to the effect that civilization at present harms the Negro by exposing him to diseases he never knew before. In his savage state the black man goes naked and becomes strong by a constant contact with the fresh air. The first thing done for the happy black heathen is to make him wear uncomfortable clothing, in which he sweats and breeds poisonous microbes with horrible fluency. He never changes his clothing, and when he gets wet he knows no better than to dry them by sitting close to the fire. In this way he contracts fever and undermines an otherwise robust constitution. For this reason many magistrates hold the opinion that from the adoption of civilized customs by the natives and the consequent increase of disease, there will result a check to the present rate of increase among the blacks. The death rate among so-called Christian natives is larger than among those in the savage state, owing to reasons above given, but here again we have to remember that the savage state referred to is one protected by English laws, and the Christians referred to are such as have not learned how to preserve their health under changed conditions of life.—Harper's Monthly.

All of which is much too bad, and too serious for comment.

THE Negro needs to set himself to the task of making room for himself in the world. Not as a vagebond, mendicant, criminal nor hod-carrier; but as clerk, merchant, banker, cashier, presidents of investments, lumber and mill companies, factories and the like. Make places for the girls and boys that are graduating annually.—Christian Quiver.

HONOR TO WHOM HONOR IS DUE.

Miss Artishia G. Gilbert, A. M., M. D., and a most excellent lady of Louisville, Ky., who formerly held a professor's chair in a college and graduating since as a doctor, has taken additional courses of study at Howard University. She graduated with the class of '97. Miss Artishia is very deserving of success. With all of her superbundance of intellect, she is a very approachable woman. It is to be presumed that she will again hang out her shingle in Louisville, Ky.—Indianapolis Freeman.

The above is enough to put every lazy girl in the Negro race to studying. If the success and distinction Miss Artishia has achieved is not enough to cause them to have aspirations to be noted and of consequence, we are lost beyond all redemption. It is indeed refreshing to know we have such ladies as the above.—Victoria Guide.

We reproduce this article and the Guide's comment by the way of endorsing its ideas. We also desire Miss Gilbert to know and feel that her determination to find room at the top is praiseworthy indeed, and that her efforts are not unnoted.

The Constitution, of Atlanta, Ga., presents an excellent collation of excerpts from brilliant speeches delivered at the Gammon Theological Seminary of Atlanta, on the last commencement occasion of that very worthy institution. We append the following owing to their direct reference to the race:

J. M. Marsh—Because God has endowed the American Negro with a stronger arm, the feeble brother in Africa claims his help; because the American Negro is richer, God holds him to account for the supply of his needs; since we possess the Christian faith and the highest truth, we are under supreme obligations to enlighten, to befriend and to redeem our brothers who sit in the region of darkness and the shadow of death.

J. C. Sherrill—When Africa's dusky sons of America shall have aided in redeeming their fatherland and that once noble but now fallen empire shall again be resurrected with an Ethiopian prince upon the throne, and with Christianity as the foundation of that throne and the inspiration of every law, then may it not only be said that Ethiopia hath stretched forth her hand unto God, but that God hath stretched forth His hand to Ethiopia.

DR. H. W. FURNISS, of this city made a very favorable impression at Terre Haute, Ind., last week. He read a highly interesting paper before a session of the Indiana State Medical Society, of which he is a member and an elected delegate to that city. He chose for his subject: "Diagnosis by Blood Examination." His paper was commented on to a great length by the papers of Terre Haute. The Gazette gives quite an extended biography of Dr. Furniss, saying among other things: "He enjoys the distinction of being the first of his race to address the state society."

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HELPS THE FALLEN

Colored Traveling Missionary Preaches in Oshkosh—The Black Man the Only Lawful Citizen.

Richard B. Montgomery, a colored traveling missionary and a representative of The Freeman, is in the city. Sunday he occupied the pulpit of the Second Baptist church at the morning and evening service. Mr. Montgomery's object in his missionary work is to go around to the jails, workhouses and so forth and lift up and help fallen men and women, he being encouraged in his work by the business men and citizens where he is doing such work. He also speaks about the oppression of his colored people throughout the cities, and he is trying to organize and encourage his people to lead a Christian life and be good citizens. He is showing to the to the white people what the colored man wants. It is not liberty that he wants, it is work, says Mr. Montgomery. He says we have lots of honest and upright men among the Negroes, but who cannot get employment and work simply because they are colored. He asks if this is justice to the race, justice to the black man. He states that the black man to-day is the only lawful citizen of the United States, the only law abiding citizen. His main object is to preach the gospel and to help fallen men and women who need assistance and help.—Oshkosh, Wis., Enterprise.

A Gala Week in School.

Eufaula, Ala., Special.

The colored public school closed its session last Friday evening at the First Baptist church. The program was very short consisting of only three songs, and four recitations. The annual address by Rev. W. C. Banton of the Methodist church, the rewarding certificates by the Mayor of the city, P. B. McKenzie, the reading of the names of pupils promoted by W. D. Jackson and the benediction by Rev. J. W. Jackson. The entertainment was highly enjoyed. The following named persons are those certificated: Master Maxie Smith, salutatorian; Miss Pearl Sherman, valedictorian; the other two Misses Ellen Turner and Lillie Belle Mitchell, all four of which are worthy of great praise. Dr. Banton's address was full of good advice from the beginning and it took well with the audience. The Mayor also made some very encouraging and complimentary remarks, all of which demonstrated his interest in Negro education. The whole affair in toto testified that the Negro is coming rapidly to the front. The closing exercises of the Eufaula Baptist Academy took place at the Baptist church four nights. No finer program has ever been heard in Eufaula. A good audience was present each night. Rev. J. T. Brown, A. M. of Montgomery, Ala., delivered the annual address Thursday evening to a large audience. Mrs. C. M. Wells and Miss Ludie W. Hayes of this city are visiting relatives in Montgomery, Ala. J. E. Lucas of Montgomery, Ala., spent last week in this city. Every colored citizen should have a copy of the emancipation proclamation. Call on or write to W. H. Wallace, the Freeman representative of this city for it. Read The Freeman.

Cullings From the Queen City.

Cincinnati, O., Special.

Rev. H. H. Hatcher of Louisville, Ky., preached at Zion Baptist church last Sunday, Theme, "Gods Love to Man." Dr. J. M. Townsend, D. D. of Allen Temple will administer the rite of baptism to several happy souls in the Ohio River Sunday at 6 a. m. Mrs. A. W. Forney, ex-president of the Wondering Boys and Girls Social Club left on the 20th inst., for Chicago. Miss Mamie Hackley of 815 W. Fifth street and Mrs. Ella Barrett of 711 W. Court street, made a flying visit to Chillicothe, O., last Sunday. Miss Lula Orr of Springfield, O., was in the city last Sunday the guest of her cousin, Misses Ida and Gertrude West of 614 Hopkin street. The Odd Fellows annual service which was held at Lockland last Sunday afternoon at the Baptist church was largely attended not with standing the inclement weather. Rev. H. H. Harris of the Zion Baptist church will preach a special sermon to the young people at 8 p. m., Theme "Friendship." Zion Baptist church began their May fair on Monday last, which continued two weeks. A series of concerts will be interspersed through the fair.

Fifty Years Ago.

President Polk in the White House chair,
While in Lowell was Doctor Ayer;
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COLLEGE HILL NOTES.

St. Paul Baptist church S. S. will hold children's day exercises Sunday June 6th at 3 p. m., under the management of Mrs. D. W. Williams. The Sunday school mass meeting of precinct A. will take place at Cumminsville Baptist church Sunday June 6th. Miss Bertha Ballard of 518 W Court street, entertained a few of her friends on last Monday evening.

Holding a Two Week's Fair.

South Bend, Ind., Special.

The A. M. E. church and Sunday school was well attended last Sabbath. Rev. J. K Hart is pastor. The Mt. Zion Baptist church on Birdsell street, was well attended. The Sabbath school is doing well under the leadership of Newton Sanders as superintendent, and Rev. George D. Smith, pastor. Rev. G. D. Smith, Newton Sanders, Mrs N. Brown, Miss Lillie Walker and Miss Emma Smith attended the union meeting at the First Baptist church Sunday evening, which was a grand success. The members of the Baptist church are holding their two week's fair. New program each evening. Baptists and Methodists will hold their union picnic in June. Sunday will be communion at the Baptist church. Subject for the evening discourse by the pastor will be, "I am the Bread of Life." Rev. G. D. Smith will go to Lorain, O, the 1st of June on business. James Smithell and Thomas Bridgeman are holding down the Studebaker Bros.' factory office. Guster Hathcock is a young man of enterprise, and his brother is building J. S Mitchell's new house on Birdsell street.

A Colored Missionary.

From the Oskosh Times.

Richard B. Montgomery, colored, of Milwaukee, arrived in the city yesterday. Mr. Montgomery is engaged in missionary work in the state in behalf of the Negro race, and is also representative of The Freeman, a newspaper published at Indianapolis by colored people. Geo. L. Knox is the publisher. Associated with Mr. Montgomery in missionary work is Rev. J. B. Odeam, a colored Baptist clergyman at Milwaukee, for whom a church has recently been built through contributions of his white friends.

Twenty-five Souls Housed.

Edwards, Miss., Special.

Hon. E. E. Perkins lost his baby the 6th inst. It had been sick all its life. C. W. Crown's house burned, and was insured for $800. Most of the furniture was saved. Misses Barker and Brown have returned from school. They attended Tougaloo University and Jackson College respectively. Mrs. S. P. Brown received the sad news of her brother, G. H. Fairchild, lying at the point of death in Monroe, La. Mrs. Ross Washington, who has been sick since Christmas, left for Jackson, Miss., to stay a while with her mother. Rev. Taylor, of Vicksburg, Miss., has been conducting a revival at the Baptist church for three weeks. Twenty-five persons were added to the church. The meeting closed Sunday night. The Douglass Literary society meets Tuesday night after a vacation of four weeks. When the proper subjects are discussed in these societies they go a long way in making us better mentally and morally.

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FLASHES FROM CHICAGO.

Church Notes—"God Save the Queen"—Personal Mention—And Many Notes of Interest.

Chicago, Ill., Special.

The local Knights of Pythias had their annual sermon preached by Rev. J. F. Thomas at the Olivet Baptist church Sunday afternoon. The organizations headed by the Ninth Battalion Band paraded the principal southside thoroughfares. Miss Susie Harris of 213 Wendell, returned from Charlottesville, W. Va., last week. H Sanders has returned from New York, for permanent residence. Mack Woods, of Peoria, Ill., left for Ft. Wayne, Ind., where he will locate permanently.

Sam'l Jordan who resides at 48th and Dearborn, is seriously ill. Local Canadians celebrated Queen Victoria's 78th birthday at Quinn Chapel Monday night. Speeches were made by H. P. Jones, Dr. A. R. Abbott and others. Mrs. Pearl Pitts supported by a large chorus sang "God Save the Queen." The following tableax were given: "Slavery." "Queen Victoria," "Escape to Canada," "Canada," "Free Schools," "John Brown on his way to the Gallows," War song by Marion S. Adams; "Colored Soldiers going to War," "Tenting on Camp Grounds," "Battle Field," "Returning from War" "I will," by Mrs. R. Williams.

OLIVET CHURCH NOTES.

Olivet Sunday School was well attended, there being 217 present. $1.32 was contributed for special purposes. Collection $5.50. At 11 a. m. memorial services were held by John Brown Post G. A. R. and Women's Relief Corps. The sermon was preached by Rev. J. F. Thomas. At 3 p. m. the Knights of Pythias had their sermon preached. The church was not large enough to hold the people who had gathered to hear the sermon. In the evening he selected for the theme of his discourse: "Redemption." The B. Y. P. Union was well attended. Our next leader Mrs. C. H. Davis. All are invited.

Social Entertainments.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Special.

Mrs. Mamie Jackson, who has been sick, is able to be out. Mrs. Effie Vaughn is suffering with neuralgia. Mrs. J. J. Hill is sick with rheumatism. Rev. Bell, of Cassapolis, preached at the Second Baptist church Sunday. Miss Cora Montgomery, of Elkhart, Ind., is the guest of Mrs. James Homes. Mrs. J. Bolden and daughter, Mrs. John Harris, moved in their house Tuesday, which has just been repaired. Quarterly meeting was held here Sunday. Rev. Butler, presiding elder, was with us, and preached in the morning. Rev. Hill preached in the afternoon, and Rev. Butler at night. Love feast was held at 9 o'clock Sunday morning and was fairly attended. Quarterly conference Saturday evening The collection during the day was $22.00. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Fowler, of Almenia, were the guests of Mrs. L Wilson Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Ed. McKay entertained in honor of Rev, J. C. Johnson, of Benton Harbor, Wednesday evening. Those present were Mmes. Ash, Hackley, Cousins, Christman, Misses Coleman, Brown, Bishop White, Mr. Hammond, Revs. Johnson, McKay, Ash and Hackley. All had an enjoyable time. Mrs. C. L. Stewart entertained Mr. and Amos Stewart and Miss Nellie Scott to tea Friday evening. Mrs. Amos and Mrs. C. L. Stewart pleasantly entertained Tuesday in honor of Jacob Stewart. There were twenty-seven present.

Christian Endeavor Entertainment.

Milwaukee, Wis., Special.

Charles Griffin has returned from Canada and Michigan, where he has been visiting friends and relatives, and has left again for Chicago with his daughter, Miss Martha Griffin, where they will spend a week. Richard B. Montgomery has opened an office representative of The Freeman at 230 Third street. Rev. A. A. Buleigh preached a very good sermon last Sunday. The Christian Endeavor will give an entertainment the 31st inst. Mrs. S. M. Minor has gone to Medford, Wis., to visit Mr. and Mrs. E. Williams. On the evening of the 25th the Coterie's May party took place. The club curtailed its invitation list to such an extent that many persons usually seen at social affairs were absent per force of not being invited. Everything was complete and many from Chicago, Kenosha, Oshkosh, Racine and other cities were present. This was the social affair of the season. On the 25th inst., work was commenced and a Baptist church will be built at once. Rev. J. B. Oden is in charge of the work.

Social and Personal Mention.

Decatur, Mich., Special.

Miss Gertie Bradley, Miss Newsome, Mr. Otis Newsome and Leek Allen of Cass were in the city and settlement visiting relatives and friends. There was a party given at the home of Melton Bradley the evening of the 22nd. All enjoyed themselves. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Manuel are entertaining a young lady at their home. Mr. Will Freeman and Miss Lida Manuel were married recently There was a party at Barney Mahonys Friday night May 21 in honor of Miss Roberts of Arcadi, Ind. Miss Roberts after several months visit with friends returned home the 15th. Mr. Joseph Weaver is sick at this writing. Mrs. Rose Carpenter returned home after two weeks visit with he sister, Mrs. Lillian Weaver of Kalamazoo. Mr. Aaron Burnett returned home Friday after a four days stay with Mrs. David Lilly of Dowagiac.

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH.

Prayer meeting Sunday morning at 5 o'clock. Services at 11 a m. Sunday school at 2:30, and the A. C. F's. 3 to 5 p. m. Young Minister's Progressive Association meets Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. every week, Prayer meeting Wednesday evenings and social Thursday evenings each week.

NINTH PRESBYTERIAN NOTES.

Worship at 11 a. m. and Sunday school at 2:30.

The Sunday school and church will picnic at Bethany Park June 21. Governor Mount will deliver an address.

There will be a special sermon preached by one of the Presbyterian ministers, Sunday, June 6 at 4 p. m.

CORINTHIAN CHURCH NOTES.

Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. was well attended Sunday. Preparations are being made for the Sunday school picnic.

Elder Blackshear delivered the annual sermon for the Sisters of Charity at this church last Sunday, and was highly complimented for the strong, earnest plea he made for women, and spoke in glowing terms of the good work being done by the order. The Sisters showed their appreciation for this excellent sermon by presenting the elder with a neat little sum.

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES.

Rev. W. J. Harris preached a fine sermon at 11 a. m., subject "The Light." Rev. J. W. Carr, D. D., preached at 8 p. m. to a large audience, subject "The King's Request."

The Excelsior Circle which meets each Wednesday at 3 p. m. held a grand meeting, and the ladies enthusiastically discussed "The Model Church."

The Orinoco Circle met at Mrs. Florence Lindsey's in Indiana avenue, and interestingly discussed "Is Marriage a Failure."

The East End Bouquet Circle met at Mrs. Crabtree's in Home avenue. The meeting was profitable and instructive.

The joint discussions between the Men's Puritan Club and the Circles which takes place semi-weekly is attracting large crowds.

Rev. Carr will preach a sermon on "Bicycles" in the near future. Collection Sunday, $35.30.

The indisposed members are: Miss Mamie Martin, St. Mary street, Mrs. Sullivan, 14 Mill street, Mrs. Kate Russel, 431 Blake street, and Mrs. Levi Johnson, Toledo street.

Silver Medal Contest.

The Silver Medal contest at Allen Chapel Friday evening, May 21, was well attended. Mrs. J. B. Reynolds was master of ceremonies. The following young ladies contested for the silver medal: Golden Jones, Gracie Gurnell, Miss Mitchell, Lula Bradley and Ida Miller. The judges awarded the silver medal to Miss Lulu Bradley. Miss Ida Miller, second best, with a year's subscription to the Ladies' Home Journal. The judges were Mrs A. T. Whitson of the W. C. T. U., J. B. Hunn and Mrs. John Martin. Addresses were made by Mrs. M. E. Balch, corresponding secretary of Indiana W. C. T. U., Mrs. Disette, assistant county superintendent, Mrs. M. E. Sims, assistant state superintendent of work among colored people, Hon. G. L. Knox, proprietor of The Freeman, and Rev. A. L. Murray. Their addresses were pronounced excellent. Mrs. Balch stated that Mrs. Lucy Thurman, national superintendent of colored work, who has spent the entire winter in the South organizing unions, would spend the first week of September in this city. The statement was roundly applauded. Elder Murray's generous statement that his church would contribute ten dollars toward her expenses was greeted with applause by the entire audience. She is to speak first at Allen Chapel. The instrumental duet by Mrs. Ida Underwood and Miss Lillie Warfield, instrumental solo, Miss Mitchell, and vocal solos by Miss Mamie Allen and Mrs. Lizzie Bush were well received.

Missionary Notice.

The Woman's Mite Missionary Society will convene in Allen Chapel, Indianapolis, at 2 o'clock p. m., June 3rd, continuing until the 6th. All officers of the conference branch and auxilliaries are especially urged to be present. As this is the first annual meeting, dear sisters, you cannot afford to miss it; come and bring as many others as possible. We want to have one of the grandest missionary meetings ever held in this connection. Rev. A. L. Murray and his members have promised to entertain us royally. Bring all monies on hand and 25 cents for each member belonging. All members and ministers cordially invited. If you cannot come, send your money, your best wishes and blessings. Dr. Parks, Missionary secretary, and one of our finest pulpit orators will be present and preach for us Friday night the 4th. Bishop Arnett has been invited and is expected to be present. All presidents will bring or send a written statement of their societies.

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Personal Mention—News Notes.

Kenton, O., Special.

President Curry of Curry College, Mechanicsburg, O., was here the 22nd in the interest of the Informer, a religious and educational paper. He had success in introducing his paper. A. F. Underwood of Vanwert, is employed in Kenton, and has given satisfaction. He lectured the night of the 25th. President Curry was entertained by A. F. Underwood. He left for Sandusky, O. Mrs. Day is very sick, her nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart of Bellfountain, were called to her bedside. The District Convention meets at Kenton June 18th-19-20. A good time is expected. The lecture at the A. M. E. church by Rev. Bundy of Springfield, the 27-28 was a success.

Odd Fellow's Annual Sermon.

Bristol, Tenn., Special.

Our little town is moving along slowly, but nicely at present. The colored school of Virginia, Tenn., closed with an excellent program. Miss Bettie Wilson has returned from Petersburg Institute where she received the diploma of the graduating course. Miss Lucy Overstreet has returned from Morristown. Miss Blanche Jefferson and a number of other young ladies give a May Pole entertainment at Anderson Hall last Friday evening. The Johnson City base ball boys crossed bats with the Bristol boys the 25th at Fairmount. The Odd Fellows had their annual sermon preached last Sunday at the following churches: A. M. E., by Rev. Slade; M E, by W. T. Molley; the Baptist by Rev. Johnson.

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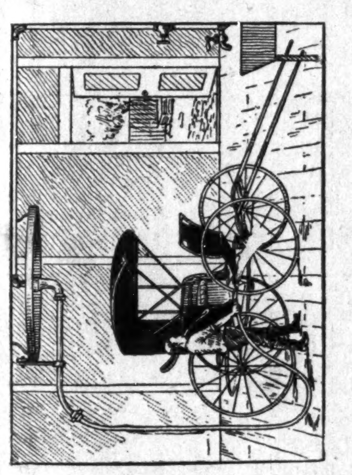

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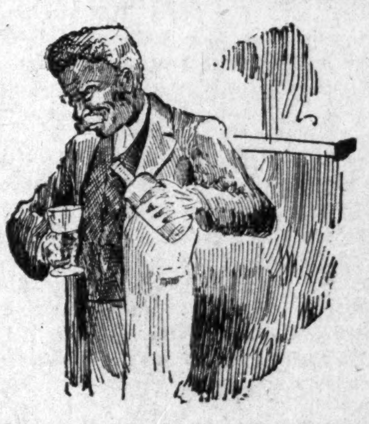

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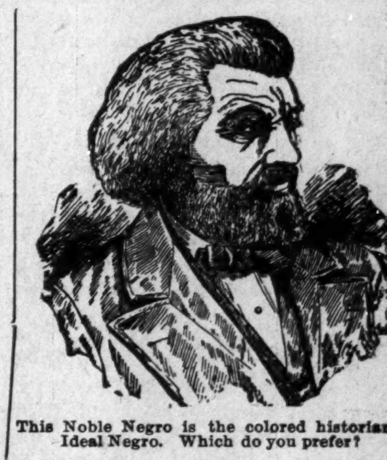

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From the Washington Post.

The name mentioned above was sent to the Senate recently to be confirmed as Recorder of Deeds for the District of Columbia. A biography of this leader of his race appeared in the Congressional directory while he was a member of Congress from the "black" or Second North Carolina district. That biography is commonplace compared to the peculiar and romantic facts and circumstances which culminated in making a man, born a slave in a small North Carolina town, an alumnus of the leading university of his state for colored people, and afterwards a member of the House of Representatives from the district in which his former master's family still lives.

Plummer Cheatham, as is familiarly known there, has good white blood in his veins. He is what the Southerners call a "ginger cake" Negro. His youth was an easy one. As a boy he frequently accompanied Mr. Cheatbam and his sons on hunting and fishing excursions. The Senior Mr. Cheatham was partial to him. Another easy task was to drive his "old master's" buggy for him. But the result of the war brought freedom to the boy, and the events which marked the reconstruction period fired him with ambition to secure an education, and thus better enable him to make his way in the world. He is and always was popular with the better class, the old landed class of people in his section. Many of them voted for him in preference to less conservative and less educated men of his own party when he ran for his first office, that of Register of Deeds for the town of Henderson, where he lived. He never betrayed the confidence they showed in him. He always "knew his place," as the white gentlemen averred, and even after he got into Congress "never had the first symptoms of the swell head."

He learned to read and write at the meagerly equipped public school for the colored people of the South. He longed to go to Shaw University at Raleigh, but had no money. Finally he resolved to appeal to the Commissioner of Education, Rober A. Jenkins, Esq., of Williamsboro, a gentleman of wealth and well known for his strong opposition to secession. A large slave and land owner, he was a staunch friend of the Negro race, and was famous for the kindness he had always shown to his own slaves. The ambitious young colored boy went to see this gentleman and said: "Marse Robert, I want an education and you can help me get one. Give me an appointment to teach a certain school within your jurisdiction, make them pay me a good salary, and I will do my duty, save my money and pay my way through Shaw University."

An eye witness tells that Mr. Jenkin's took the boy's hand in his, and, pleased with the young applicant's bearing and earnestness, said cordially: "Plummer you are pursuing exactly the right course. Education is the only thing that will fit your race for the right use of the ballot. I believe you will not disappoint me and I will do my best for you. Go home and make your preparations to take charge of the school you mention. In a week or ten days you will get the appointment you desire. I will make the salary as large as the funds in hand will permit and the work as light, so that you can study while you teach."

The young man was delighted. He saved $200 from the school and with it paid his way through college. It was the beginning of the career of the man whose nomination for an important office in the District of Columbia was recently sent to the Senate of the United States.

Cheatham possesses another rare trait—gratitude—which he showsd in this way: When he was first elected to Congress a daughter of Mr. Jenkins (who, by the way, is a tax payer of the district and a strong advocate of Cheatham's) asked a white Republican member of the North Carolina legislature to introduce her to the colored member from her old home, as she wanted him to nominate her young brother to the cadetship at Annapolis. She had forgotten the colored youth and had never heard the facts above narrated. The member of the state legislature escorted her to Congressman Cheatham's house on Connecticut avenue, and commenced his introduction. The Congressman grasped the lady's extended hand and said: Miss C— you need no introcution to me; you have forgotton me, but I have known you all my life. I owe it partly to your father that I am here. Then he told her the facts given above. She said: "I am glad my father had it in his power to help you and that you have proved so worthy of his faith in you. I have come to ask a favor of you now. I want you to nominate my brother to the cadetship at Annapolis."

The answer was: "Your father's daughter can ask no favor I would not grant, if I had the power to do so."

The nomination was made and the old obligation wiped out, but every member of the family in North Carolina as well as in Washington feels the keenest interest in the welfare of Plummer Cheatham.

With fine business foresight he invested a part of his salary as Congressman in real estate in Washington. He bought property that nearly fronts on Dupont Circle, and the ex-slave can look from windows over the columned portico of the Chicago millionaire's house that ornaments that ultra-fashionable locality. All North Carolina is pleased at the appointment without regard to party, and Senator Pritchard whose influence with the President secured the place for Ex-Congressman Cheatham, has added to his popularity by his selection of an honest, hard working, deserving colored man to fill it. Representative White, the colored Congressman from the black district, is a brother-in-law of Mr. Cheatham.

Colored Women to Meet.

The National Association of Colored Women will hold its annual meeting in Nashville, Tenn., beginning Wednesday Sept. 15th and continuing through the 17th. Each club connected with the association is expected to send at least one delegate.

Annual Sermon.

Mobile, Ala, Special.

A. W. Johnson is doing a good business in Mobile as undertaker and newspaper editor. James T. Peterson, the popular mail carrier is a devoted church worker and race lover. He has done much to elevate his people. The Old Benevolent Society No. 1 had their annual sermon preached at State street last Sunday night. J. W. Bestider has returned from Tuskegee. Sister M. E. Taylor is doing much good among sinners. She preached a pswerful sermon to men at Big Zion church last Sunday evening. J. S. Davis, 50 Locust street, is The Freeman agent.

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A dispatch from St. Louis, Mo., dated May 11, says: "Lieut. James A. Moss, of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, U. S. A. (colored), is about to undertake a special mission by order of Gen. Miles. About June 1, in command of twenty colored soldiers, he will start from Fort Missoula to ride on bicycles to St. Louis, nearly two thousand miles across the roughest, rockiest country in the United States, for the trip means crossing the main divide of the Rocky Mountains. Careful preparations are now being made for the trip. Lieut. Moss' report to the War Department will be used as a basis for deciding whether it would be advisable to form a bicycle corps as a feature of the army."

Personal Mention.

Alton, Ill, Special.

The U. B. of F. will attend the installation and entertainment given by Temple No. 7, the Star of the East at East St. Louis on the 31st of this month They will take an excursion from here. The Alton Band, H. B. Hunter leader is sparing no paines to make good music. An excursion passed through West Alton last Sunday given by the Porters of the Exposition Hall. They went from St. Louis to St. Charles. Homer Joiner and James Craig were the only passengers from Alton, and reported a pleasant trip. Hunter's Republican club had their business meeting Wednesday evening at which time Mr. Walter Hutton addressed the club. The literary of the A. M. E. church rendered a fine program Friday evening at the church. Homer Joiner has the agency of fine tailor made clothing of the Woolen Milling Company of Chicago. He has succeeded in filling a large number of orders. The U. B. F's initiated two candidates last Saturday who were James Graves and Wm. Hops. Mr. I. H. Kelley was down from Springfield last Sunday. Subscribe for The Freeman.

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"Darkest America" will close the season May 30.

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Isham's "Octoroons" are in Baltimore, Md., this week.

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Miss Sallie Lee of "Darkest America" has been on the sick list.

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Rachel Walker, prima donna, appeared at the Masonic Roof Garden, Chicago, last week.

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Mme. Marie Selika and Signor Velosko appeared in grand concert at Jefferson Hall, New York City, May 27.

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Johnson & Dean, protean sketch artists were on the bill at the Olympic Theatre, Chicago, last week.

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Hillman & Perrin, formerly with Richards & Pringles Georgia Minstrels joined Black Patti's Troubadours May 17.

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The Eldridges were at Weber & Fields' Music Hall, New York City, last week, and created a favorable impresssion.

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Mr. and Mrs. Tom McIntosh will close their most successful season with Isham's Octoroons. They have several good offers for next season.

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John Rastus Topp, a versatile performer, who plays the piano with remarkable skill and sings songs of any class, made his first appearance at Austin & Stone's Museum, Boston, this week.

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The Williams Bros.—Billy and Andy, have signed with Richards & Pringles' Georgia Minstrels for the season of 97-98, to produce their new novel and sensational act entitled "A Disagreeable Time With the Monkey and the Frog."

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The Augusta Mines Colored Comedy company are meeting with much success in summer resorts. The company includes Mrs. Augusta Mines, R. W. Mines, May Mines, Bertina Hill, May Abbott. J. Carter, Frank Teboo and Prof. Bennett.

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"Wall and His Four Hundred" will include J. Turner Wall, manager; A. L. B. Blount, Mrs. D. Willis, Mlle La Topa, Chas. Gilpin, Edward T. Harris, Lewis Carter, Daisy Jones, Dora Dean, Smith and Taylor, Taylor Sisters, Starlight Quartet, and others.

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The O. M. McAdoo Ministrel, Vaudeville and Concert company, comprising Messrs. Jere Mills, Jose Jalvan, Shirley and Smith, and Lewis Love left New York on the Cunard liner Etruria for London, enroute to South Africa where they will remain three years.

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Richards & Pringle's Georgia Minstrels open their twenty-seventh season about July 15, with a number of the old company in its roster, including Billy Kersands, Neil Moore Jr., Bobby Kemp, Gauze, Jas. Lacy, C. F. Alexander, Wm. Slay, Frank Kirk, Ollie Brown, W. A. Deane, Pattie Robinson and others.

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Isham's "Octoroons" packed the Star Theatre, Brooklyn, N. Y., week of 10th at every performance. Camp stools were placed in the theatre to accommodate the amusement seekers. This company, of which Will H. Isham is the manager, reports a most successful season of thirty-six weeks, and will still remain on the road three weeks longer, closing their season at Washington.

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Black Patti and her merry Troubadours opened an engagement at Proctors' Pleasure Palace, New York City, May 17, to a packed house, which was continued throughout the week. "At Jolly Coon-ey Island" is the title of the laughter provoking skit which serves as a curtain raiser and a vehicle to give scope to the company's comedy and singing talents, followed by Wesley and Corinne Norris, who found favor in their songs and dances; Hillman and Perrin, in "Washday in Musicville" winning approval; Arthur Maxwell in some remarkable well-done bicycle riding; Bob Cole and Stella Wiley in terpsichorean evolutions likewise pleasing; Billy Johnson, with descriptive songs, "The March of the Toreadors" a ballet divertisement of good merit; Lloyd Gibbs, enor singer, responding to encores; Ed. Goggin and Chas. Davis, comic dancer and tumblers, the whole including with the kaleidoscopic operatic selections in which Black Patti has ample opportunities for displaying her voice in portions from the operas of "Carmen," "Bohemian Girl," "Il Trovatore," "The Grand Duchess," and others, Lloyd Gibbs rendering valuable assistance, the large male and female chorus showing some fine voices and proving the result of good training.

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The St. Louis Post-Dispatch says: "If you are a Southerner and acquainted with the "brother in black" you will find much entertainment in "Darkest America." If you come from the other side of the line and have formed your ideas of colored folks from the stage Negro and Darktown sketches, you will be instructed as well as amused. "Darkest America" is a big show, partly vaudeville and partly spectacular, and all the performers are Negroes. There are all shades and sizes of Negroes in the company, and some of them are possessed of marked talent for dancing and making music. The performance is a series of pictures of American Negro's life "from plantation to palace," the program calls it. It begins with scenes in slavery days and concludes with a swell function in Washington, where the colored brother comes out strong in a social way.

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J. G. Bergen, the well known veteran concert manager, died suddenly on Monday afternoon, May 18, while taking a bath in Everard's Turkish bath establishment, 28 West 28th street. It was as manager of musical entertainments of a high order that Mr. Bergen was best known. For more than two decades he devoted his efforts to concert work and signal success was the result of his labors. The largest auditoriums in the U. S. upon many occasions were inadequate to accommodate the large throngs that would gather to hear the best artists the race had produced. Mr. Bergen was twice married. On Nov. 6, 1886, his first wife died. On Dec. 13, of the following year, he married Miss Flora Batson, who is one of the foremost singers of the race, and for nine years the names of no two people were more familiar to Afro-American music lovers than theirs. Unfortunately, in December last, owing to some misunderstanding, the couple separated.

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The Clarksville Brass Band gave a Minstrel performance at Elder's Opera House, Clarksville, Tenn., recently, headed by Dennis Rice of the Georgia Minstrels and A. B. Carter of Cleveland Mastodon Minstrels. Frank Owens, Jerry Cobb and A. B. Carter were attractive features on the end, J. P. Steele sang a beautiful song, followed by G. W. Hampton with a medley of "Nobody wants to play with me." Bob Killabren, Hampton, Steele, White and Cobb composed the Twilight Quartet and were constantly applauded in their songs. D. R. Rice the veteran, played his horn as of yore. Cobb & Owens, the acrobatic song and dancers, did some fine dancing. Messrs. Rice, Steele, Rogers and Firse, the musical wonders, introduced their new musical act. Carter, the boneless wonder, did many feats. Bad Eye and company did a sketch. The play was concluded by a musical comedy "Musicians Wanted," which was a roaring success. Dennis Rice of Clarksville, Tenn., is thinking of starting a company on the road next season composed of home professionals.

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Lost Relatives.

John Smith is desirous of locating Aurila Smith, his sister, and Jobe Smith, his nephew, who formerly belonged to George Long, of West Virginia, fourteen miles above Point Pleasant, on the great Hanawha river. Aurila Smith was the daughter of Billy and Sallie Smith, and when I last heard, they were in Calhoun, Mo. Any information leading to their discovery will be thankfully received.

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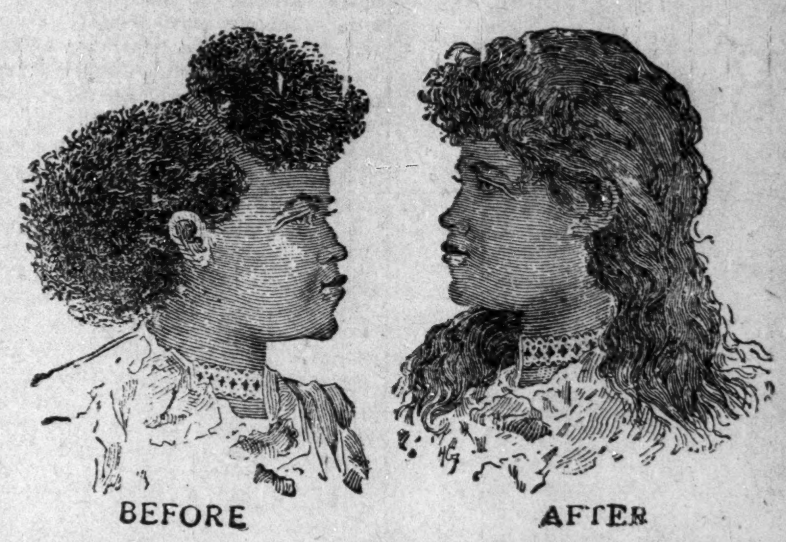

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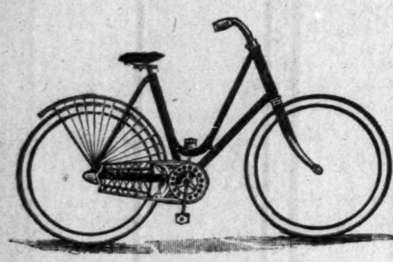

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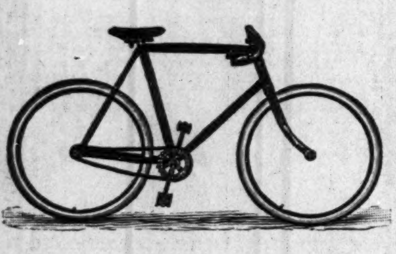

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Madam Sylvester Vania will make her first bow to an Indianapolis audience June 22-23 at Bethel church. She will be assisted by the renown basso, Hurmon Corbon. There will be a full chorus of 100 voices assisted by an orchestra. There will be several debutants in the musical sphere that will prove a genuine surprise. Classical music from the best authors will be rendered.

PERSONAL AND SOCIETY.

Atlas Stanley of Chicago is visiting friends in the city.

James N. Simms returned Sunday night from Nashville, Tenn.

Edw. Tolbert, formerly of this city, late of Des Moines, Ia., has returned to the city.

Messrs. G. F. and Alfred Anderson will leave the city next week for Buffalo and New York City.

Miss Nellie Gilchrist and Miss Clara Trail of Carthage, were guests of Mrs. Jerry Black, 804 Blake street last week.

Prof. T. D. Scott of Xenia., O,, passed through the city last Saturday en route to attend the commencement at Madison.

Miss Adina White, teacher in the public schools of St. Louis, Mo., was the guest of Mrs. Beulah Wright-Porter last Sunday.

F. Leslie Chambers, representing Neidlinger Bros'. Drug Co., of New York, was registered at the Occidental the first of the week.

The Sexta-fiera Club met with Mrs. Sadie Dudley. Luncheon was served by the hostess. Mrs. Nunn, president; Miss Nannie White, secretary.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brady of West Vermont street, left Wednesday for Knoxville, Tenn., where they will spend three months with their son.

G. W. Chivis, who has been spending a few days in this city, left Tuesday for Chicago on business. He returns today and will probably locate for the summer.

Erie H. Dixon of Cincinnati, was in the city Sunday. He spent the day pleasantly with Rufus Conrad, and in company with him gave The Freeman office a call.

Zed Prophet, formerly of this city but now of Chicago was shaking hands with his many friends last week. He left Saturday for Bloomington to visit his parents.

Dr. Wm. Bell and brother, veterinary dentists, employed by the Standard Oil Co., are with us for a few days. Their entertaining qualities have won for them a host of friends.

A large circle of little friends were royally entertained at the home of Goldie Richardson, 679 N. Senate avenue, May 20, the occasion being her ninth birthday. Many beautiful presents were left by the little ones.

Rev. W. R. Lawton, of Brooklyn, N. Y., has been appointed to a clerkship in the District's Attorney's office in Brooklyn. Rev. Lawton had charge of the Ninth Presbyterian church this city for a short time.

Detective Benj. Thornton returned Sunday night from Philadelphia where he was in attendance at the board meeting of Odd Fellows. For a side trip he visited Atlantic City, returning by the way of Washington, D. C.

Robert Moody, lately known as the "Colonel," has assumed the headwaitership of the popular resort at Eagle Lake. Mr. Moody has forty waiters employed, and from the latest reports he is making a decided hit with the many visitors.

The Ladies' East End Bouquet Circle met at Miss Mary Broyles' Friday afternoon, May 14. Mrs. Nancy Woodfork was among the visitors. Business of importance was transacted. "How a Working Girl should be Respected," was discussed. Mrs. Amanda Davis, president; Susie Trevan, secretary.

"Mikado"

By special request the opera "Mikado," will be repeated at the Ninth Presbyterian church, corner Michigan street and Capital avenue, between Capital and Illinois street Monday evening, May 31, with a chorus of twenty-five trained voices. In addition to the principal cast which comprises the best talent of the city, G. F. Anderson will render the leading role, assisted by Kathryn Crossen-Harper. The prices of admission has been reduced to accommodate all. General admission 15c; children 10c. Don't fail to come—you will be carried away in joy and laughter from the time the curtains open until closed.

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Religion is unhealthy and repugnant when we neglect our personal care in our great zeal for it. Bodily cleanliness should always be an imperative duty. Worship God in cleanliness of body as well as of heart.

"Even monkeys have learned to enjoy riding bicycles, but a very noticeable thing about them is the female monkeys are too modest to don bloomers and knickerbockers, which is more than some cultured women can boast of.

It is often a common remark in regard to a young man's character, "he is only sowing his wild oats," and the manner in which it is said shows that the evil conduct on his part is kindly glossed over as if such things were really a necessary factor in forming his character.

But let a young woman commit ever so small an indiscretion, and the hullabaloo that is raised about it is simply immense. The scandal will follow her to her grave. No one says she will be all right when she gets through sowing her wild oats. Indeed, wild oats sowing seems to be a male prerogative.

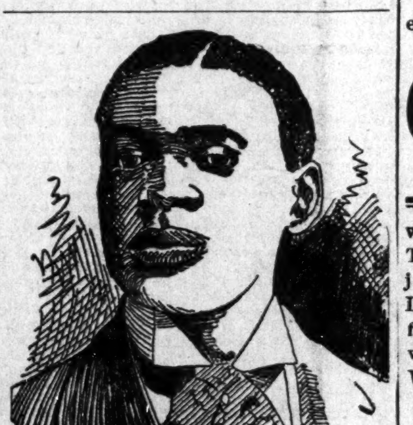
The girl's own sex will point the finger of scorn at her, while at the same time, perhaps, they are keeping company with young men whose characters are so black that charcoal would make a white mark on them. The woman must be stoned socially, but the man can go scot free. We claim that "what is sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander."

When a young man or a young woman starts in the business of sowing wild oats let there be an equal distribution of the crop that is reaped; let the social stripes of correction be impartially administered to both. If the young woman is ostracized let the young man be kicked out of decent society. That is the kind of medicine we would deal out, says an exchange.

No Color Line.

James N. Simms, who came here from Louisville, Ky., last fall, took an examination and was admitted to the senior class of the Indiana Law school, finished the full course, and graduated from that institution last Wednesday night. He is the first colored man to graduate from this school, which is the leading institution of the kind in the state of Indiana. It is therefore not only an honor to Mr. Simms, but it is a credit to our race to have one of them to creditably finish the course at this school.

Mr. Simms was born in Port Royal, Ky., Nov. 25, 1861. He finished the course in the public schools of his home and entered the State Uuniversity of Kentucky in the fall of 1876 He at once took the front rank among the students of his class, and by diligent studying, put three year's work in two. In '78 he entered the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, O., where he pursued his studies for two years, and on the death of the principal of the school at his old home he was invited to return and take charge of the school, which he did and gave satisfaction to all. In 1891 he resigned and entered business in Louisville, Ky. During the meantime he studied law under the Hon. A. S White and also under Judge Roberts of that place. Hence he was well prepared to take the examination for admission to the senior class of the law school here. Mr. Simms' work in school has given general satisfaction. He will remain in this city and practice his profession. We predict for him great success.



JAMES N. SIMMS.

A Colored Man Wins.

Mr. Hanover Williams' damage suit against the Railroad Transfer company was on trial in the Superior Court last Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The jury rendered a verdict in his favor. Lawyer O. V. Royal conducted the case for Mr. Williams while the corporation was represented by the firm Miller, Winter and Elam.

"COLORED AMERICA"

Prof. R. Byron Shelton's Aggregation Meets With Much Success.

Shelton's "Colored America," a local company organized in this city recently, returned home last Sunday morning from Terre Haute Ind., where they filled a successful two week's engagement at Harrison's Casino. The company includes: Prof. R. B. Shelton, Harry Brown, John Toliver, Wm. Goodall, Harry Dunnington, Geo. Temple, Leota Blackburn, Kate Toliver, Sallie Walker and others.

ALLEN CHAPEL NOTES.

Dr. Johnson, editor of the Christian Recorder, preached an excellent sermon last Sunday morning.

Rev. Murray's subject for next Sunday evening is "There is a Hole in the Wall. Every one should hear it.

Earnest Turner of Lawrenceville, Ill., is in the city, the guest of Rev. Murray.

Rev. J. H. Young preached an excellent sermon Sunday evening.

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